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INDIVIDUAL VARIABLES IN A STATISTICAL MODEL**

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**REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
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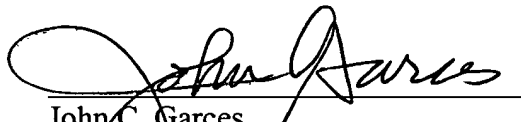
Sir:

This is in reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application-
Filing Date Granted ("Notice") mailed December 13, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed. This
Reply is being submitted within the first month after the two-month shortened statutory period set
for response in the Notice. A petition and fee for a one-month extension of time is being
submitted herewith. With the requested extension, the extended period for reply expires on
March 13, 2002.

To complete the filing requirements in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully submit herewith a combined Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition signed by the inventors and a check in the amount of \$954.00 covering the \$740.00 basic filing fee, \$84.00 in additional claims fees and the \$130.00 surcharge. A separate check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the one month extension fee.

Please charge any fee deficiency and credit any overpayment in connection with this Reply to the undersigned attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$84.
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- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 954.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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